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Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 29, 2002. Enclosed herewith is a Petition, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), wherein it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period for responding to the Office Action be extended for two months until April 29, 2003. Also enclosed herewith is authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0836 in the amount of \$205.00 for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, and authorization for the Commissioner to charge any additional fee

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or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 50-0836.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 20 of this paper.